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House Bill 1114

By: Representatives Jackson of the 161st, Day of the 163rd, and Sailor of the 93rd

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

## AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 40-8-76.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
- 2 use of safety belts in passenger vehicles, so as to require the use of safety belts in pickup
- 3 trucks; to require the use of safety belts by occupants in the rear seats of a passenger vehicle;
- 4 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 Code Section 40-8-76.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the use of
- 8 safety belts in passenger vehicles, is amended by striking subsections (a) and (b) and
- 9 inserting in their respective places new subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:
- 10 "(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'passenger vehicle' means every motor vehicle
- designed to carry ten passengers or less and used for the transportation of persons but shall
- 12 not mean pickup trucks, motorcycles, motor driven cycles, or vehicles equipped for
- off-road use, provided that the term 'passenger vehicle' includes any sport utility vehicle
- and also includes pickup trucks for any occupant who is under 18 years of age.
- 15 (b) Each occupant of the front seat and rear seats of a passenger vehicle shall, while such
- passenger vehicle is being operated on a public road, street, or highway of this state, be
- 17 restrained by a seat safety belt approved under Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard
- 18 208."

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19 SECTION 2.

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.